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MEDIA ADVISORY

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Public-private provides free refurbished desktop systems and a mobile hotspot

ECHO PARK - Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell is working with our community partners to provide 100 local students with a free refurbished desktop computer and a mobile hotspot during a distribution event on Monday.

The computer distribution event will take place at the Councilmember's District Office on **Monday**, **February 27**, **4 p.m. at 1722 Sunset Boulevard**, in Echo Park.

The OurcycleLA program provides thousands of computers formerly used by the City to low-income families for free while also minimizing the city's electronic waste footprint.

Each computer will also come with a mobile hotspot and free internet service for four years. Councilmember O'Farrell is funding this service, in partnership with Sprint's ConnectED program.

The OurcycleLA program is possible due to legislative action by the Los Angeles City Council. OurcycleLA highlights include: 2,500 salvage computers have been refurbished; over 3,200 computer systems have been properly de-manufactured and recycled; up to 100 youths have been trained on refurbishing tasks and software/hardware configuration work; and 10 temporary and full-time jobs have been created for this program.

WHO

Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell
Parents and students participating in the OurcycleLA program

WHEN

Monday, February 27 4 p.m.

WHERE:

1722 Sunset Boulevard Echo Park, CA 90026

VISUALS: 100 students and their parents receiving their free computers and hotspot devices!



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